(a) whether the reservation rules for the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Trives are followed while filling vacancies in Group 'C' and 'D' posts in the wet and dry canteen at Army Headquarters, New Delhi;

(b) if so, the number of SC/ST employees there; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) to (c). A Statement is attached.

STATEMENT

The terms "Wet" and "dry" canteen are not understood. There is, however, a Unit Run Canteen (URC) in the Army Headquarters which sells consumer goods obtained through the Canteen Stores Department. This URC is a regimental/private canteen run by a Management Committee. The employees of the URC are not Government employees. As such the rules regarding reservation of posts of Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe are not applicable to them.

There are sixteen non-statutory departmental canteens/Tiffin Rooms located in the three Service Headquarters and Inter Service Organisations. There is no separate canteen exclusively for the Army Headquarters. These canteens are there run by respective Management Committees. The employees of these canteens are governed by the rules laid down by the Department of Personnel & Training and specific instructions regarding applicability of reservation rules have not been issued in respect of the Departmental Canteen employees.

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Taking over of Indo-Honkong Finance Co. by Canara Bank

6060. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Canara Bank propose to take over the Indo-Honkong Finance Company set up in Honkong;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the terms and conditions under which the Canara Bank proposes to take over the company?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The proposal is for ensuring better administrative control to achieve optium efficiency and to make Indo-Honkong International Finance Ltd. (IHIF) more cost effective.

(c) Canara Bank will take over the ownership of the Company by paying compensation, as may be approved by RBI, to the other two joint owner banks, namely, Central Bank of India and Syndicate Bank.

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Subsidy on Janata Cloth

6061. DR. LAXMINARAYANAN PANDAYA:
SHRI RAMESH CHAND TOMAR:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of subsidy on Janata cloth released by the union Government to State Governments during the last three years and upto July, 1991 State-wise and year-wise;

(b) the particulars of the agency to monitor whether subsidy benefits are properly extended to the weavers/co-operative societies in States;

(c) whether there have been any com-